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A method for performing a track skip and a playback device for optical storage disks enable an accelerated track skip in the case of a non-moving storage disk in which a time is determined for the track skip of a read device between a current track and a selected track of a storage disk inserted in the playback device, as a function of the tracks to be skipped in this instance, and the read device is moved in the direction of the selected track for the determined time. In response to a track skip request, the read device is moved in the direction of a lead-in area of the optical storage disk until a starting position is detected. The time necessary for the track skip from starting position to the selected track is determined from this track.

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